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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SUPPLY OF EXPENDABLES

REQUEST FOR SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a Supplemental Notice of Allowability, which includes claim 28 in the list of allowed claims. The Examiner listed the allowed claims in item #2 on the Notice of Allowability as claims 23-26, 30 and 32, inadvertently omitting claim 28. The Detailed Action indicates that claim 28 is allowable.

Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request a Supplemental Notice of Allowability indicating the total number of allowed claims as 23-26, 28, 30 and 32.

In addition, Applicants note that the Patent Term Adjustment should not be shortened by this request, because Applicants are addressing this matter as soon as reasonably practical.

Respectfully submitted,

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